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1. TETENES STATEMENT REFTEL APPEARS TO DOCUMENT TOUGHENING GREEK POSITION. WHILE WE HAVE HAD REPORTS OF GREEK DISLIKE OF TACTICAL RESERVE UNITS, THIS IS FIRST TIME WE AWARE THAT GOGREECE HAS LUMPED THEM WITH ILLEGAL GROUPS AS "UNAUTHORIZED ARMED GROUP". IN GOCYPRUS EYES, OF COURSE, TRU REPRESENTS LEGAL POLICE ORGANIZATION. STIPULATION THAT MAKARIOS SHOULD DISARM FIRST ALSO SEEMS TO REPRESENT TOUGHENING POSITION.

2. CHARGE WATCHED SECURITY PREPARATIONS FOR SHORT TRIP BY MAKARIOS FROM ARCHBISHOPRIC TO PHANEROMENI CHURCH EARLY SUNDAY MORNING, WHICH DISSPELLED ANY QUESTION AS TO WHETHER MAKARIOS IS CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF VIOLENCE AGAINST HIM. ROUTE COVERED BY PERHAPS 200 POLICE AND TRU, WHICH WERE TAKING PRECAUTION EVEN OF ORDERING REMOVAL OF PARKED CARS ALONG LEDRA STREET. IN SAME VEIN FON MIN DIR GEN VENIAMIN WHEN ASKED GOCYPRUS
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VIEW OF ATHENS POLICY, LAUNCHED INTO EMOTIONAL DIATRIBE

AGAINST ATHENS, ACCUSED OF PLOTTING VIOLENCE. ASIDE FROM
WELL REHEARSED CHARGES, ADDED NICOS SAMPSON TO LIST OF
THOSE WHO GOCYPRUS BELIEVES ARE RECEIVING GREEK SUBSIDY,
HINTED ANOTHER IMPORTANT POLITICAL FIGURE ALSO SUBSIDIZED
ASIDE FROM USUAL RIGHTIST SPOKESMEN (THREAT AS NOFORN).
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